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### SALINA, KANSAS MAN SENTENCED IN BURGLARY OF GUNS FROM PAWN SHOP

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Chad Eric Schenk, 19, Salina, Kansas**, was sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Judge Richard D. Rogers to **fifty-seven months in federal prison, to run concurrent with pending Saline County sentences, to be followed by three years of supervised release and restitution in the amount of \$513.70.**

Melgren said that Schenk entered a guilty plea on January 12, 2004 to one count of burglarizing Nick's Pawn Shop and stealing firearms during the burglary.

Melgren stated that Schenk admitted at his plea that on December 15, 2002, he broke into Nick's Pawn Shop, Salina, Kansas and stole six firearms from the business. Schenk further admitted that when law enforcement officers searched his residence in Salina, Kansas, on December 15, 2002, they found two of the firearms that were stolen during the burglary.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Salina Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Greg Hough in this prosecution.